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**PUBLIC SAFETY & HOMELAND SECURITY BUREAU ANNOUNCES
DEACTIVATION OF THE DISASTER INFORMATION REPORTING SYSTEM
FOR THE PUERTO RICO EARTHQUAKES**

At the request of the Department of Homeland Security, National Coordinating Center for Communications, and the Federal Emergency Management Agency, the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) has deactivated its Disaster Information Reporting System (DIRS)¹. Communications providers do not need to provide any additional reporting in DIRS with respect to the Puerto Rico Earthquakes. The FCC will, however, continue to monitor the status of communications services and work with providers and government partners in these areas as needed to support remaining restoration efforts.

The FCC appreciates the cooperation of all the communications providers that have voluntarily submitted data to DIRS in the aftermath of the Puerto Rico Earthquakes. In disaster situations, information on the operational status of communications services provides critical situational awareness and supports effective emergency response and restoration efforts.

All FCC releases in connection with the Puerto Rico Earthquakes may be found at <https://www.fcc.gov/PRearthquake>. The FCC published its final daily communications status report for the Puerto Rico Earthquakes today, January 13.

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¹ DIRS is a voluntary, web-based system that communications providers, including wireless, wireline, broadcast, cable and Voice over Internet Protocol providers, can use to report communications infrastructure status and situational awareness information during times of crisis.